

door provisions of the President's Ethics Executive Order, prohibiting appointees from participating in matters involving their former clients? If he was recused, when did the recusal occur and why was it not publicly disclosed? How many other Treasury officials working on executive compensation matters have similarly undisclosed potential conflicts for which recusals have been necessary to ensure compliance with the President's executive order? What are the details of the other potential conflicts, if any? Therefore, I also ask that you examine this situation and report your findings.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this important matter. Please contact my staff if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

CHARLES E. GRASSLEY,
Ranking Member.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

REMEMBERING DONALD RUSSELL

• Mr. LIEBERMAN. Mr. President, I wish to pay tribute to the extraordinary life and service of Donald Russell, a longtime columnist for the Advocate newspaper in Stamford, CT. Don was a true American patriot and a valued public intellectual in the Stamford community. Beloved for his brilliant mind and big heart, Don Russell will be missed deeply.

I knew Don Russell for many years, and I am grateful for all of the wisdom he has offered me personally. Mostly though, I treasure the example he set in his career of devoted service. During the Second World War, Don served this country with courage and distinction as a navigator with the U.S. Army Air Corps. He went on to help pioneer the field of television news, beginning with the DuMont Television Network, one of the first ever commercial television networks in the world.

With insight, wit, and passion, Don Russell captured some of the most important moments of the 20th century as a journalist. Over a half a century ago, Don anchored the first coast-to-coast television broadcast of a Presidential inauguration when President Dwight Eisenhower took office and later won an award for his credible and well-balanced commentary during the controversial Army-McCarthy hearings in 1954. Although Don Russell was quickly recognized for his journalistic skill on the national stage—working closely with stars like Jackie Gleason and Merv Griffin—his heart remained with the hometown that I am proud to share with him: Stamford, CT.

For decades, Don Russell illuminated the hearts and minds on the radio and in his weekly columns for the Advocate. Don never hesitated to ask tough questions or take a contrarian stance on an issue. For this, he was respected and trusted by countless readers; many of whom he knew personally and others who admired him from afar. Don wrote about many of the most important issues facing our country and our world but also uniquely brought to life the

challenges and opportunities facing Stamford, a city he understood and cherished like few others.

Don Russell never missed a deadline and continued writing until the end of his long and extraordinary life. We, his readers, were blessed with the opportunity to have learned from Don Russell, and I believe more broadly that our state and this nation are blessed to have people like Don Russell who truly enrich our communities. Don Russell's brilliant mind, generous spirit, and warm smile will never fade from our memory.●

TRIBUTE TO LEADER DAN MCKAY

• Mrs. MCCASKILL. Mr. President, today I honor Dan McKay, a great Missourian, who has devoted much of his life to advocating for workers' rights.

Dan was born in St. Louis, MO, on February 21, 1946, to the late Harry and Marie McKay. His upbringing taught him the core Missouri values of hard work, respect, honor, and discipline. Dan started his career as a truckdriver, working for several companies in the freight industry including Yellow Transit, Time DC, Commercial Motor Freight, and many more.

Recognizing the labor movement's unwavering commitment to working families, Dan joined the movement in order to advocate on behalf of his fellow workers. He served as business representative, recording secretary, and ultimately, president of Teamsters Local 600. He also served as president of Teamsters Joint Council 13, representing 10 Teamster locals and more than 25,000 Teamster families in the State of Missouri. In those leadership roles, Dan has advocated for collective bargaining rights, fair wages, adequate and secure pensions, and better working conditions.

His work with the Teamsters often pulled him away from his wonderful family, as he spent countless hours in contract negotiations and meetings around the State and the country. Even with his work, Dan and his wife Sharron raised two beautiful boys, Daniel Patrick and Mark Timothy McKay, and are the proud grandparents of Jesse Danielle, Dana Elaine, and Daniel Joseph McKay. His diligent and honorable tenure serves as a shining example to his children and grandchildren.

Dan and I have known each other for more years than I care to disclose. We have worked together in efforts to better the lives of thousands of our fellow Missourians. This year, Dan will be retiring after 44 years of service with the Teamsters, 14 of which were spent as the president of Teamsters Local 600. On behalf of so many Missourians, I thank Dan for his tireless work and wish him a wonderful, well-earned, and relaxing retirement. While he will no longer hold his numerous titles, I know that he will never stop fighting the good fight on behalf of all working families.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:17 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4667. An act to increase, effective as of December 1, 2010, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4810. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the services provided for homeless veterans under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

H.R. 4872. An act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to Title II of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2010 (S. Con. Res. 13).

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 4667. An act to increase, effective as of December 1, 2010, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 4810. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the services provided for homeless veterans under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 3152. A bill to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

S. 3153. A bill to provide a fully offset temporary extension of certain programs so as not to increase the deficit, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4872. An Act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to Title II of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2010 (S. Con. Res. 13).

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bills were read the first time:

H.R. 4872. An Act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to Title II of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2010 (S. Con. Res. 13).

S. 3152. A bill to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

S. 3153. A bill to provide a fully offset temporary extension of certain programs so as not to increase the deficit, and for other purposes.

S. 3158. A bill to require Congress to lead by example and freeze its own pay and fully offset the cost of the extension of unemployment benefits and other Federal aid.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with